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Ms. Edna Paine  
15 Pond St.  
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Dear Ms. Paine:

This is in response to your letter dated December 27, 1999, addressed to Dr. Sundlof, concerning the use of antibiotics in farm animals.

The Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) is a public health organization under the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) which helps to ensure the safety of the food supply and assists in providing for the health care needs of animals through the approval and post-approval monitoring of safe and effective animal drugs, medical devices, and feeds.

The use of drugs in livestock and poultry is strictly regulated. Before any drug intended for use in animals is approved, it must undergo extensive chemical and toxicological testing which must demonstrate that the food from these animals is safe for human consumption.

Thank you for sharing your concerns on this issue. I am forwarding your letter to Dockets Management Branch for inclusion in Docket Number 99P-0485 -- Rescind Approval of Subtherapeutic Antibiotic Use in Livestock.

Sincerely yours,

Karen A. Kandra  
Consumer Safety Officer  
Center for Veterinary Medicine

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To:  
Dr Steven Sundlof  
FDA Center of Veterinary  
Medicine

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Dr. Sundlof - PLEASE! put a STOP  
to the use of antibiotics administered to  
farm animals. This practice should - MUST -  
be banned at once. How in the name of God  
this is allowed is beyond all comprehension!!  
DEPLORABLE! Those defenseless, innocent animals  
suffer too much at the hands of cruel, greedy  
humans. They are never allowed to pasture  
(living their agonizing lives in stalls) milked by  
machines that hurt so badly - having abnormal  
artificial insemination - not one ounce of  
enjoyment of any kind - just abuse from  
unfeeling, cruel humans. - never a kind word,  
not one minute of their miserable lives knows peace.  
THIS ISN'T BAD ENOUGH but they have forced growth  
added to their PRISON of a life. (EVEN NO GOOD, ROTTEN  
human prisoners are allowed enjoyment & exercise)  
Think about that & HELP THESE INNOCENT FARM ANIMALS.  
IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE. Respectfully (I HOPE) Edna Paine

Please read Alh!